

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
WOLFGANG STAMPFER ET AL

APPLICATION NO: 10/666,205

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FOR: ALCOHOL DEHYDROGENASES WITH

INCREASED SOLVENT AND

TEMPERATURE STABILITY

Group Art Unit: 1652

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DECLARATION UNDER RULE 132

Kurt Faber, the undersigned, states:

That I received a Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Graz in April 1982.

That I have qualified as a full professor in Chemistry at the University of Graz in September 1998;

That I have been employed by the University of Graz (Austria) since September 1998;

That I have approximately 24 years of chemical/biological research and development experience; that from November 1983 to date I have worked in the Research and Development laboratories of Graz University of Technology (November 1983 - August 1998) and the University of Graz (September 1998 - to date).

That I invented the subject matter disclosed in Angewandte Chemie International Edition, 2002, Volume 41, Issue 6, pages 1014-1017 pertaining to the preparative scale biocatalytic oxidation of

secondary alcohols employing whole cells of *Rhodococcus ruber* DSM 44541 as the biocatalyst and acetone as a cosolvent; and

That the inventorship of the instant application is correct.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Groz, 16.08.06

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